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Council Report

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Mail-in registration for winter/spring recreation programs and classes is underway. Walk-in registration at the Parks and Recreation and Morton Community Center Offices begins January 6. Picnic shelters in Cumberland and Happy Hollow Parks may be reserved for April 1 through October 31. More information is available at www.westlafayette.in.gov/parks.

Thanks to the early arrival of winter, the 12th ice skating season at Riverside Skating Center has been very busy – between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day 5,829 skaters enjoyed the rink. Skating lessons are scheduled for Saturdays from January 11 to February 1. The annual "Dare to Bear" event will be February 7. Up-to-date information about weather and ice conditions is available by calling 775-5110 or 743-RINK (7465).

Thanks to the 40 Lilly Nature Center volunteers who staffed the Center for approximately 1500 hours in 2013 and the 20 Tree Fund volunteers for providing approximately 1050 hours improving West Lafayette's urban forest in 2013. Altogether, volunteers provide annual services to the City of West Lafayette worth well over \$40,000.

Thanks also to everyone contributing paper snowflakes for Project Snowflake in the main hallway at Morton Community Center.

The next Park Board meeting will be January 27 at 4:30 PM in the Parks and Recreation Office, 1101 Kalberer Road.